

Robotic Platforms for Aerospace Research

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Historical Background

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Early Remote Control Plane From 1947



3D Robotics Iris Drone Released in 2013



FAA Part-107 First Implemented In 2016



Amazon Delivery Drone

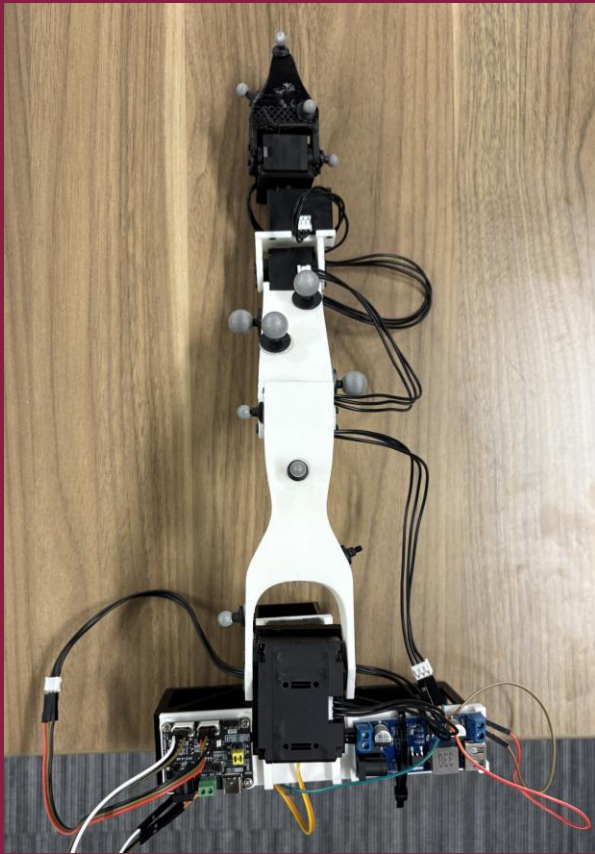


Zipline Platform-2 Drone

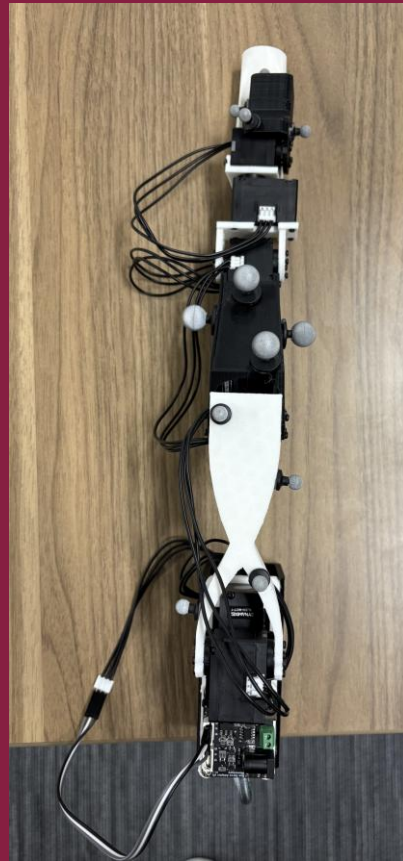
Robot Arms Assembly and Setup

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Koch v1.1 Robot Arms



Follower Arm



Leader Arm

Hardware

3d printed predesigned parts

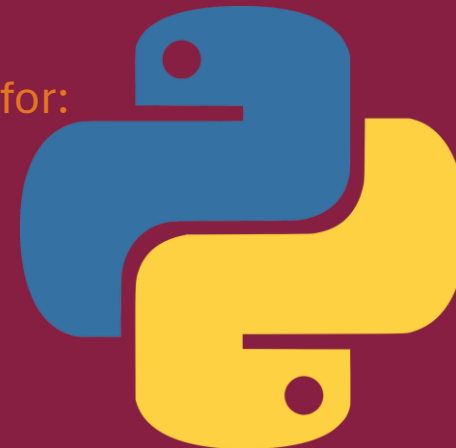
Followed video tutorial to assemble arms



Software

Used open-source python scripts for:

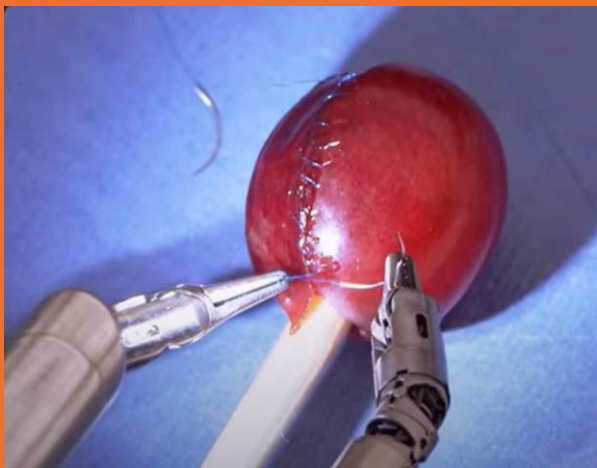
- Motor configuration
- Motor calibration
- Arm Teleoperation



Robotic Systems Methods of Control

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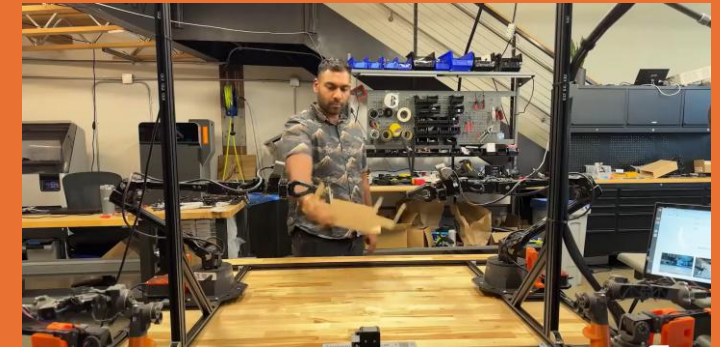
Teleoperation



Hardcoding



Edge VLA Model

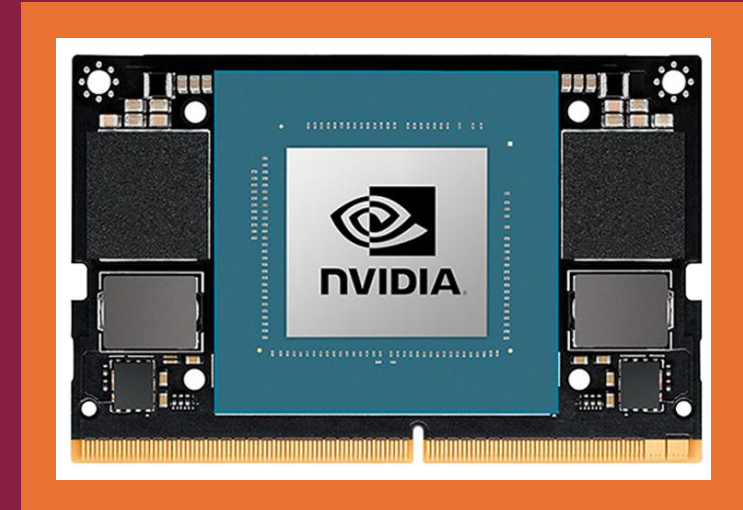
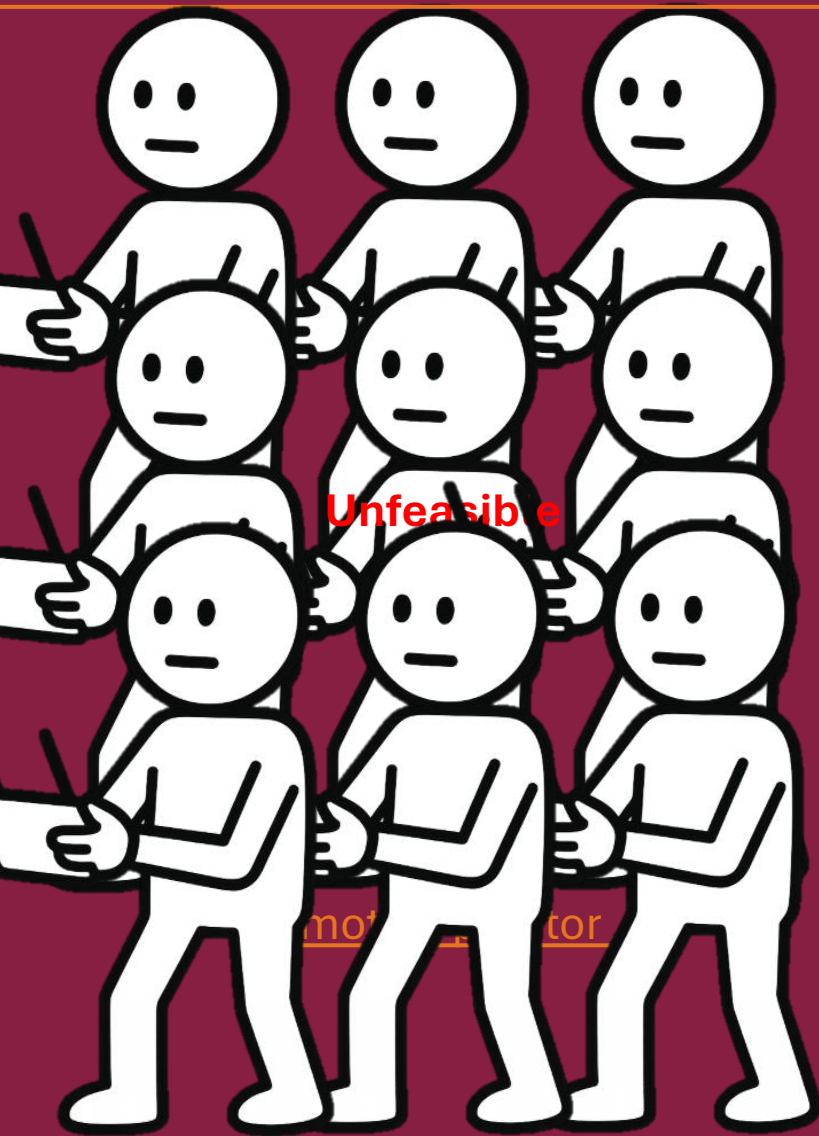


Fold the box



Drone Methods of Control

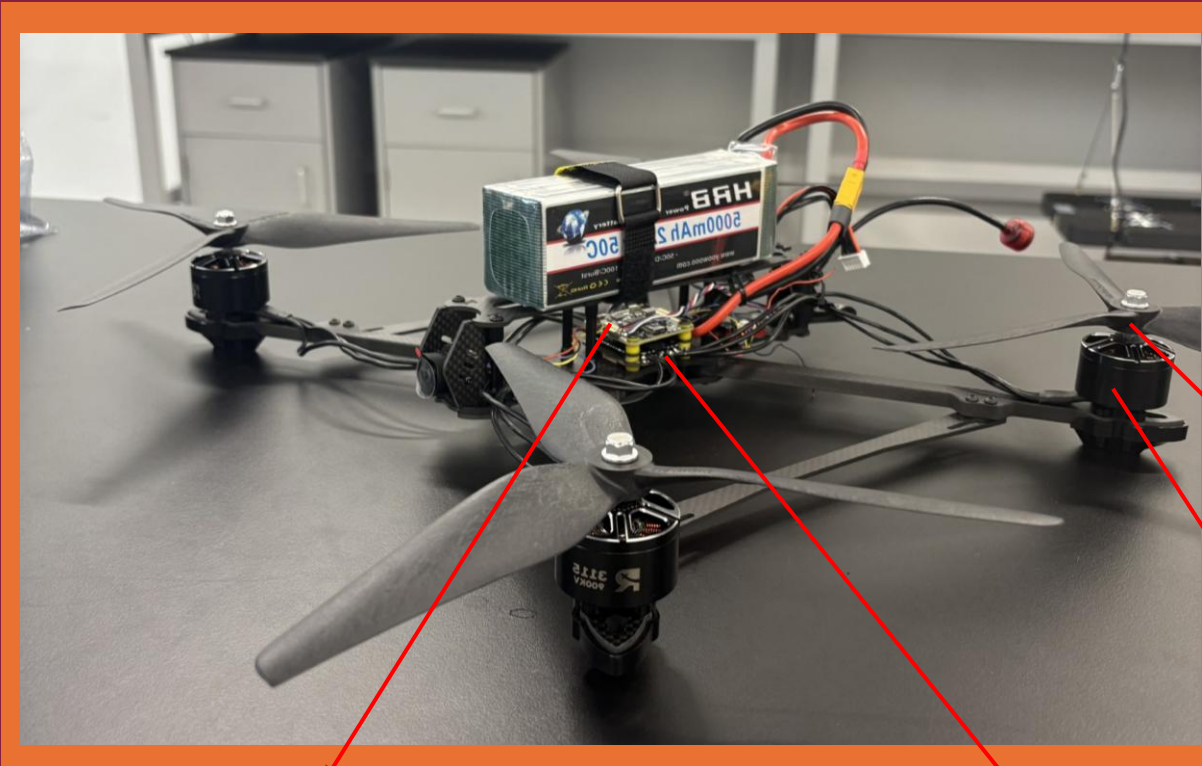
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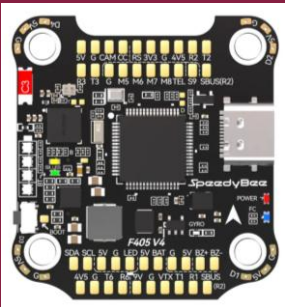
Edge VLMs

Drone Systems

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Crazyflie 2.1 Brushless



SpeedyBee f405 v4 FC

Microcontroller-
STM32F405 MCU

Firmware-
BTFL 4.5.2



SpeedyBee BLS 55A 4in1 ESC

Microcontroller-
BB21 MCU

Firmware-
BLHeli_S J-H-40 16.7



10-Inch Drone Propellers

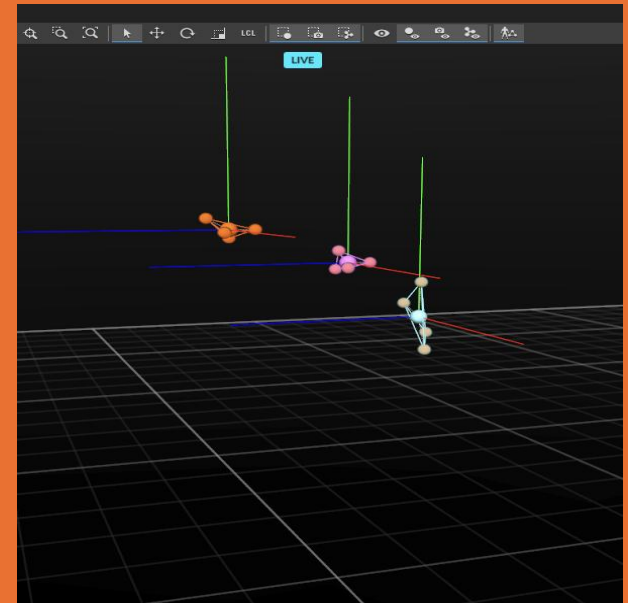
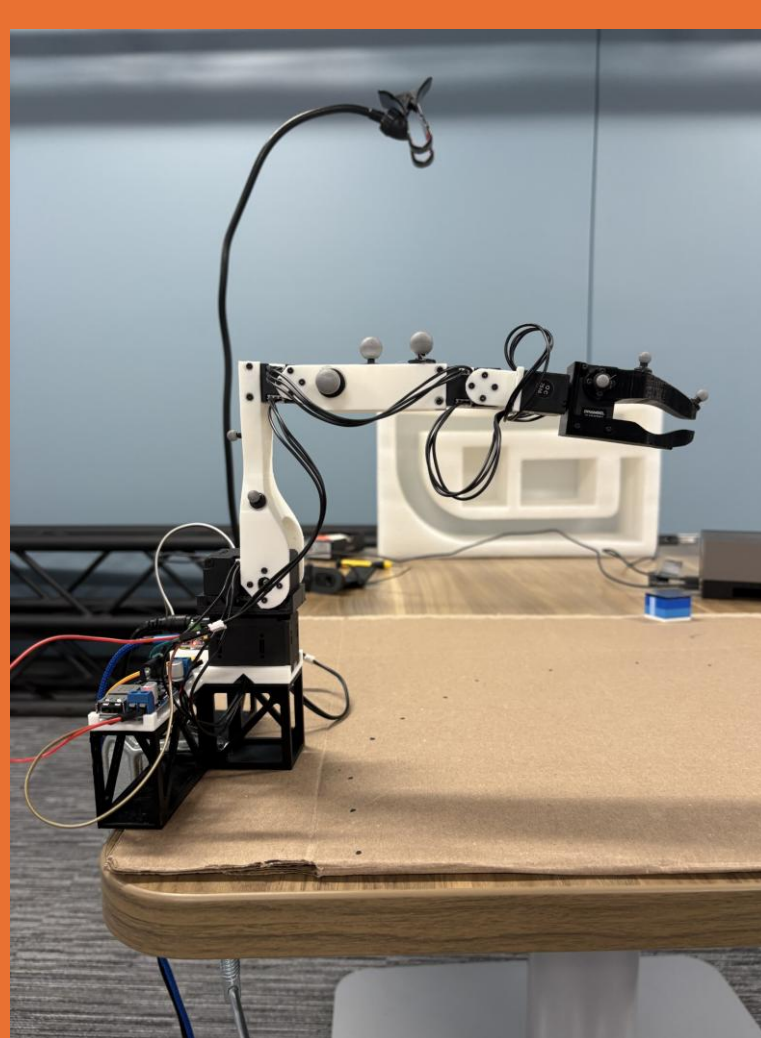


3115 900KV Motors

Stator height- 15mm
Stator Diameter- 31mm

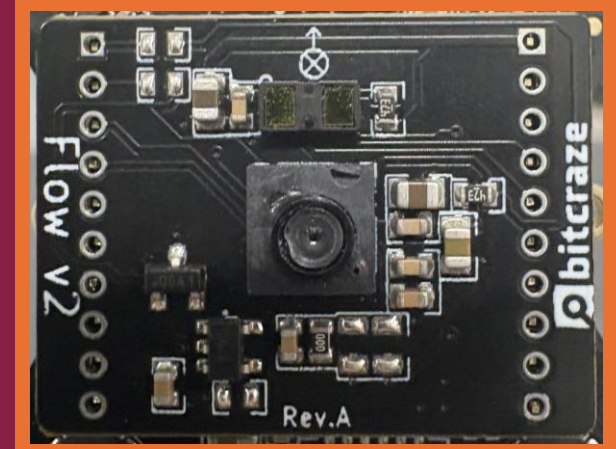
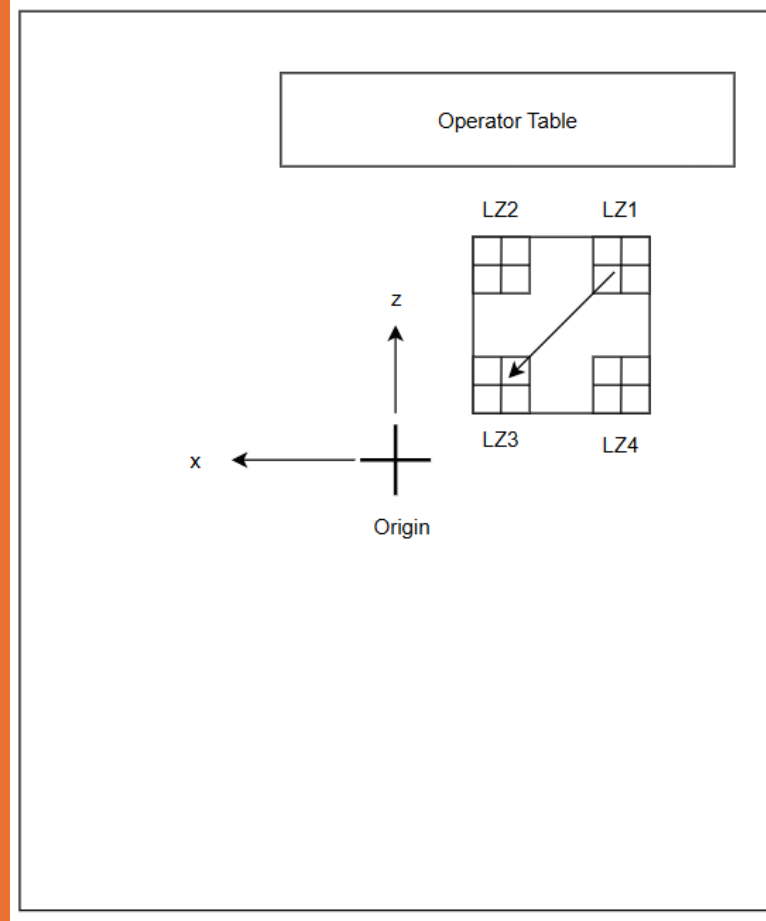
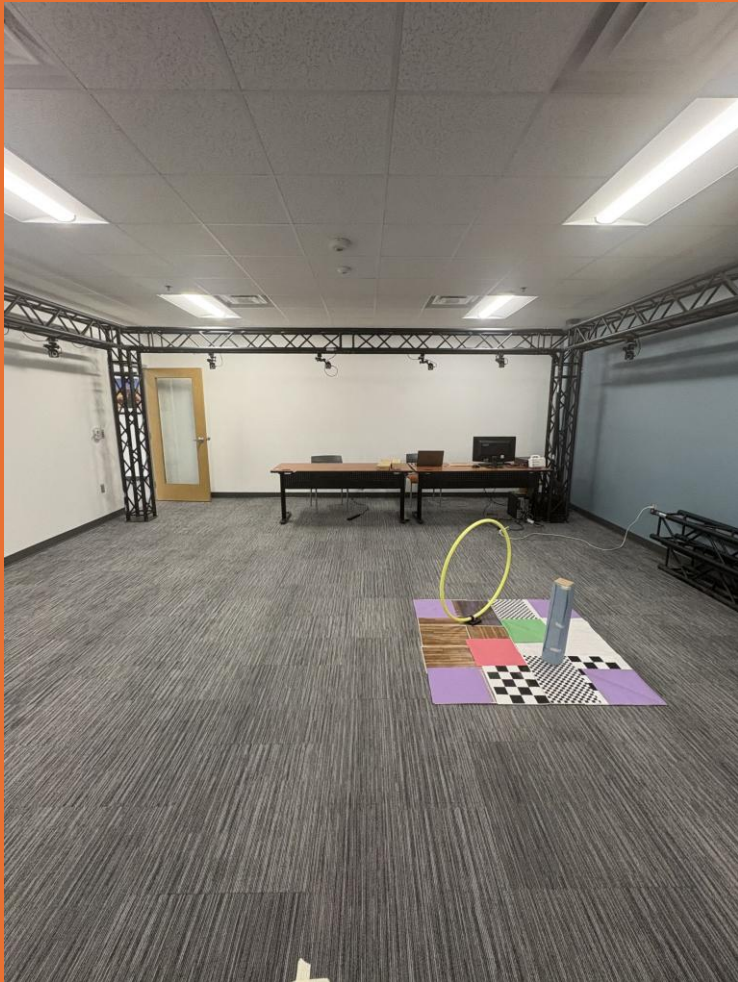
Robot Arm Experimental Setup

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Drone Experimental Setup

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Crazyflie Flow Deck



Optitrack Motion Capture

10-Inch Drone Performance Results

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Mass

Propellers | 26.38g Each | 105.52g Total

Motors | 103.57g Each | 414.28g Total

Battery | 719g

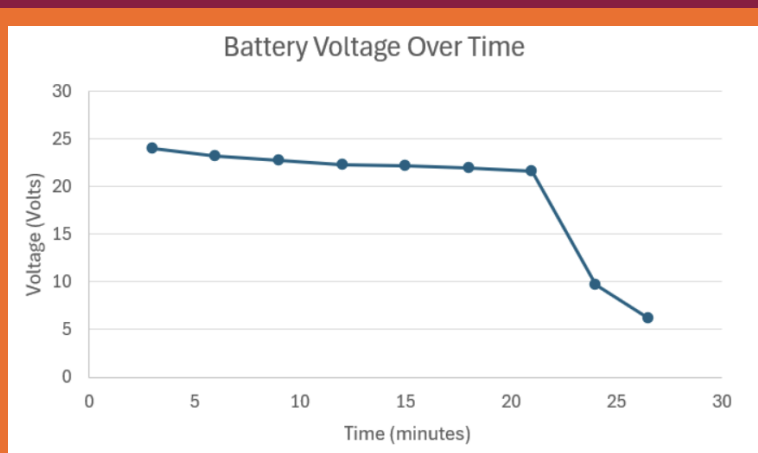
Drone Frame w/elect. | 402g

Total | 1.645kg

Jetson Orin Carrier Board | 80g

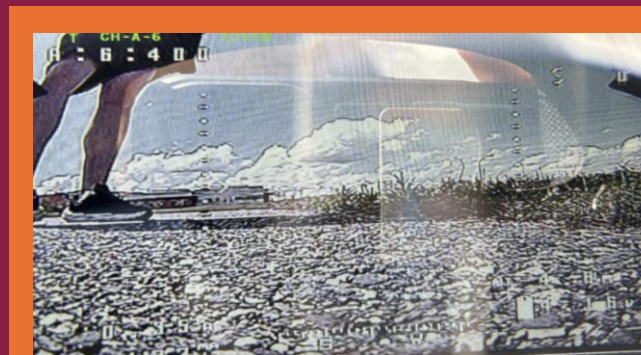
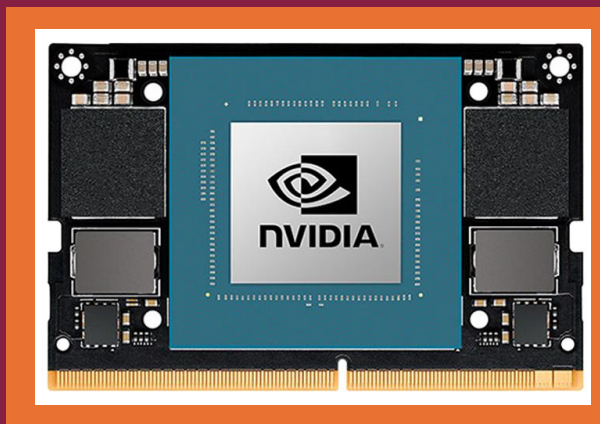
Jetson Orin NX- 28g

New Total | 1.748kg 6.26% Increase

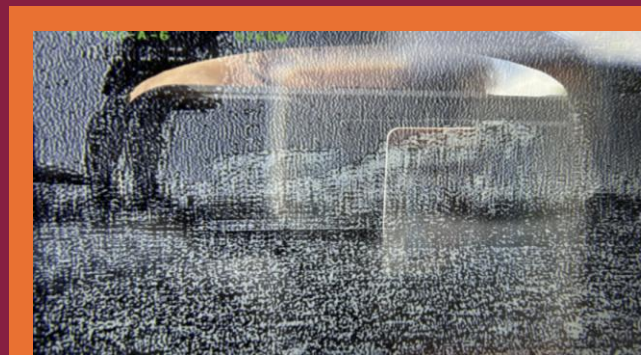


Sudden drop between minute 21 and 24

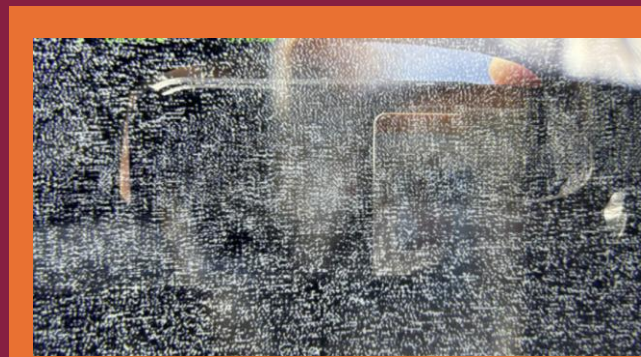
Stopped spinning after around 26 minutes



48
Meters



167
Meters

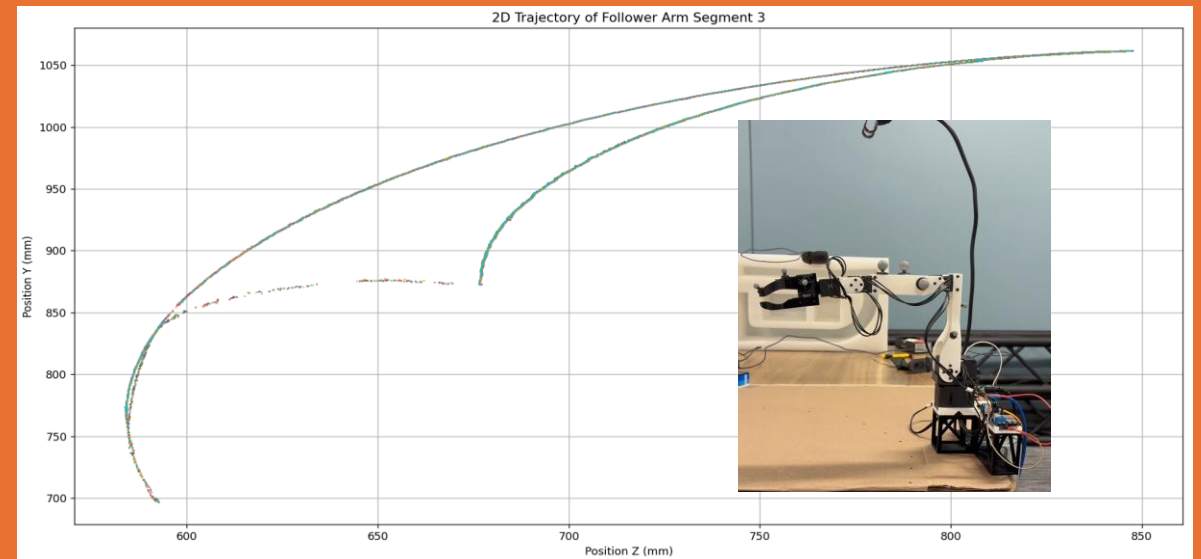
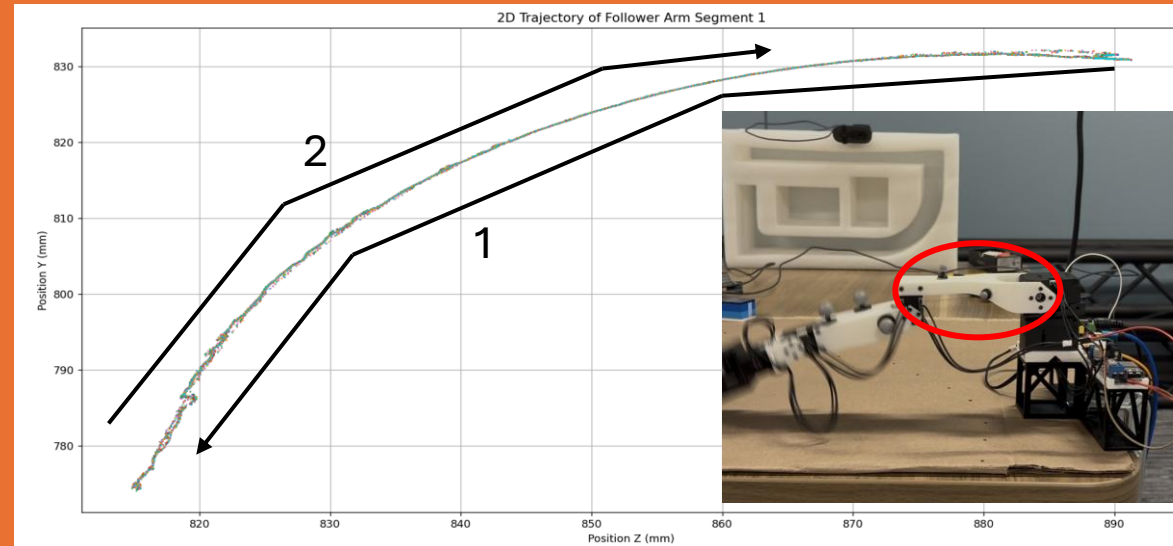
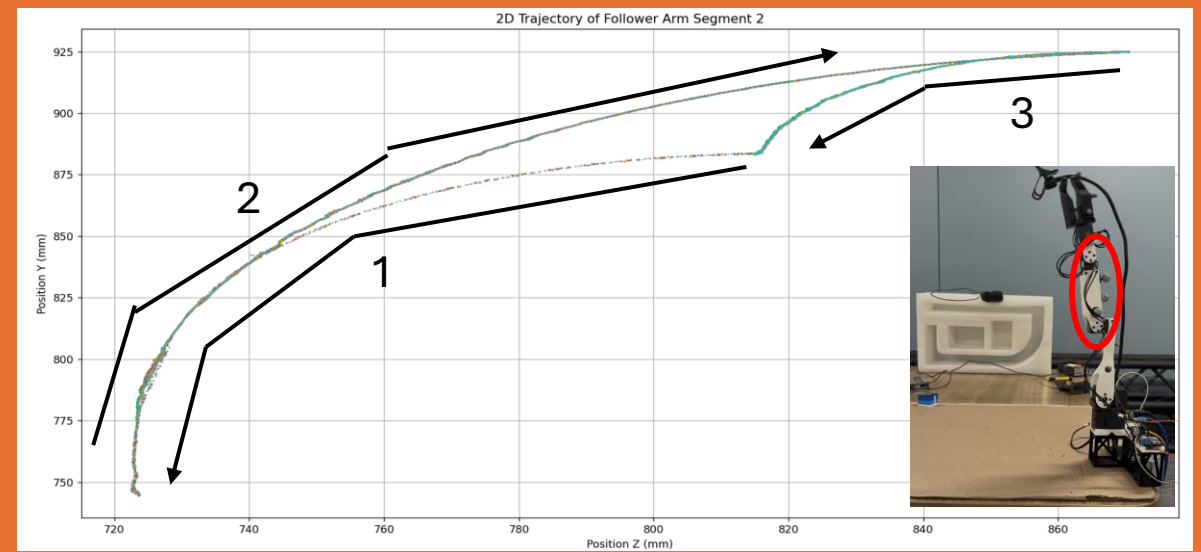
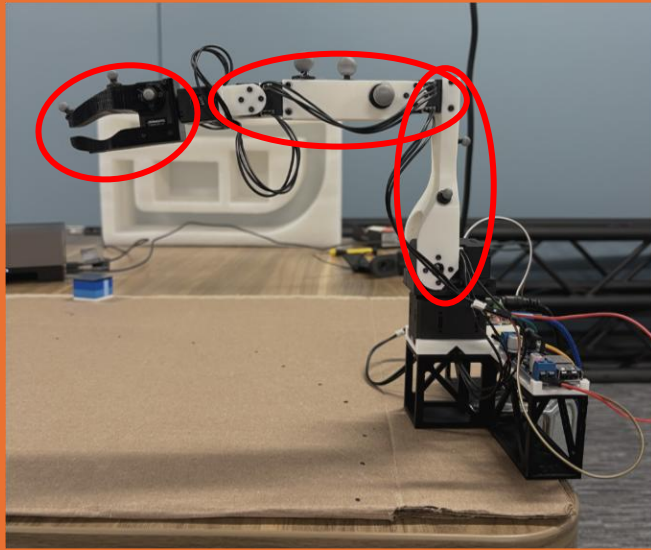


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Meters

30 Runs With Robot Arm

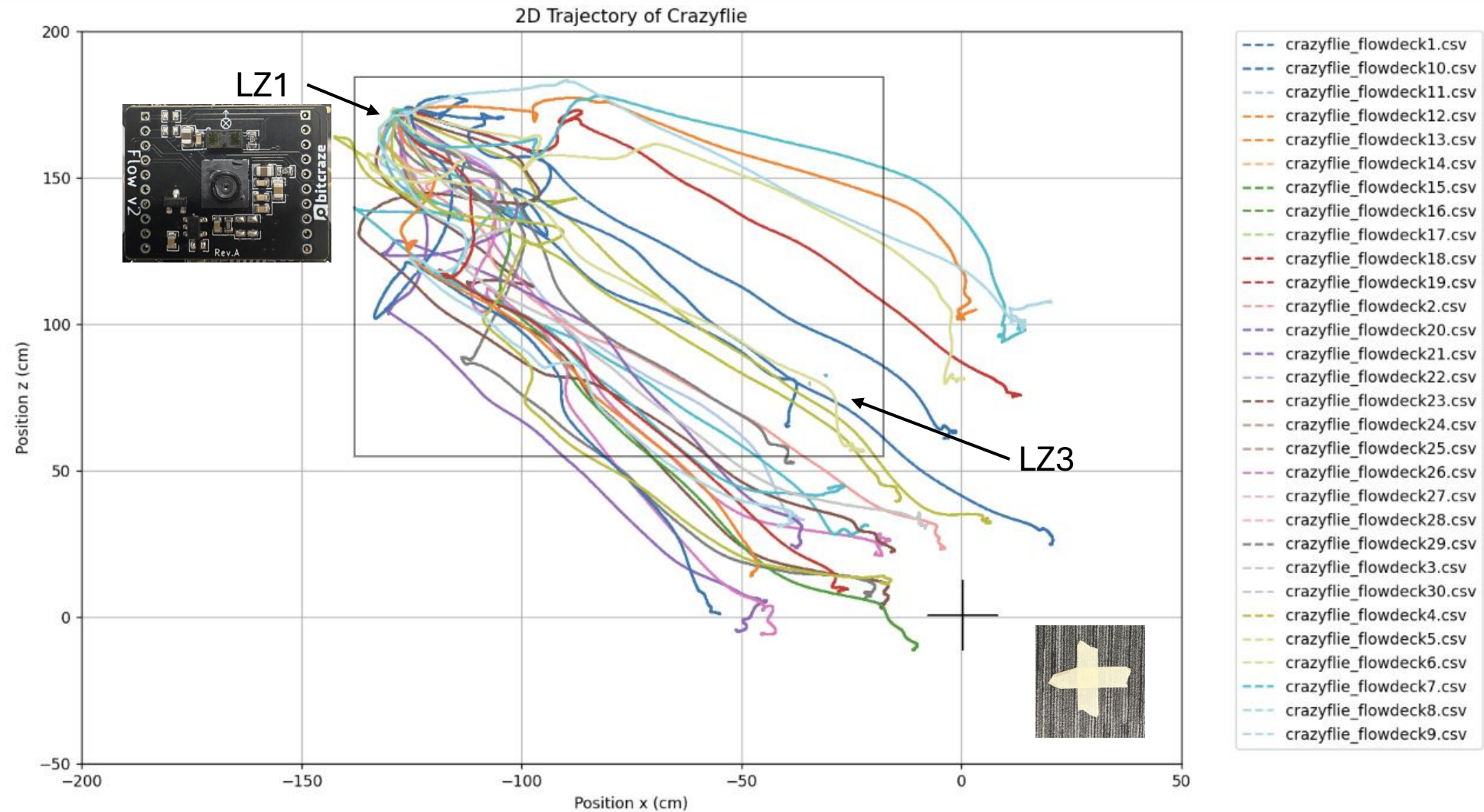
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Starting Position



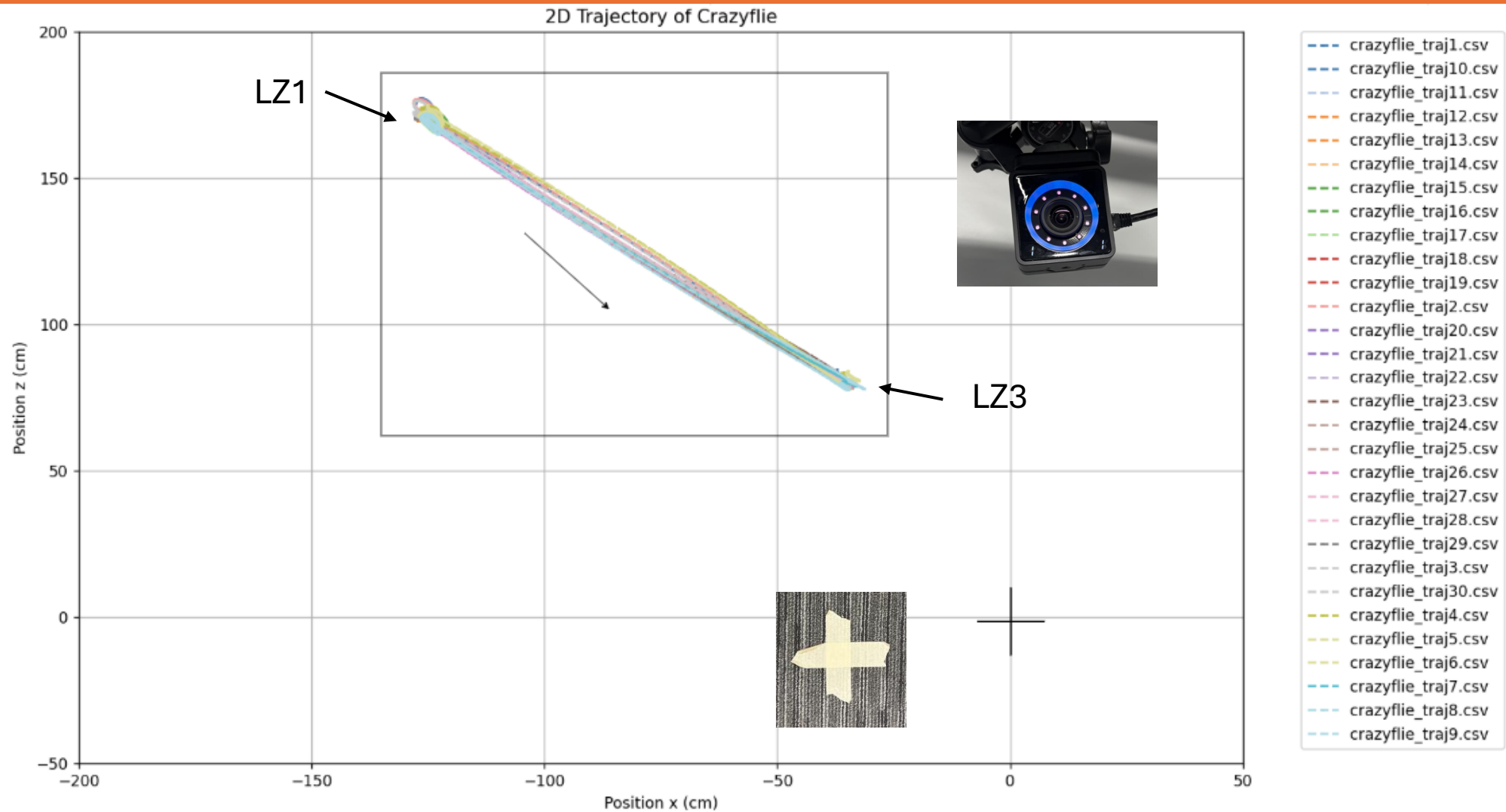
30 Runs with Flowdeck Result

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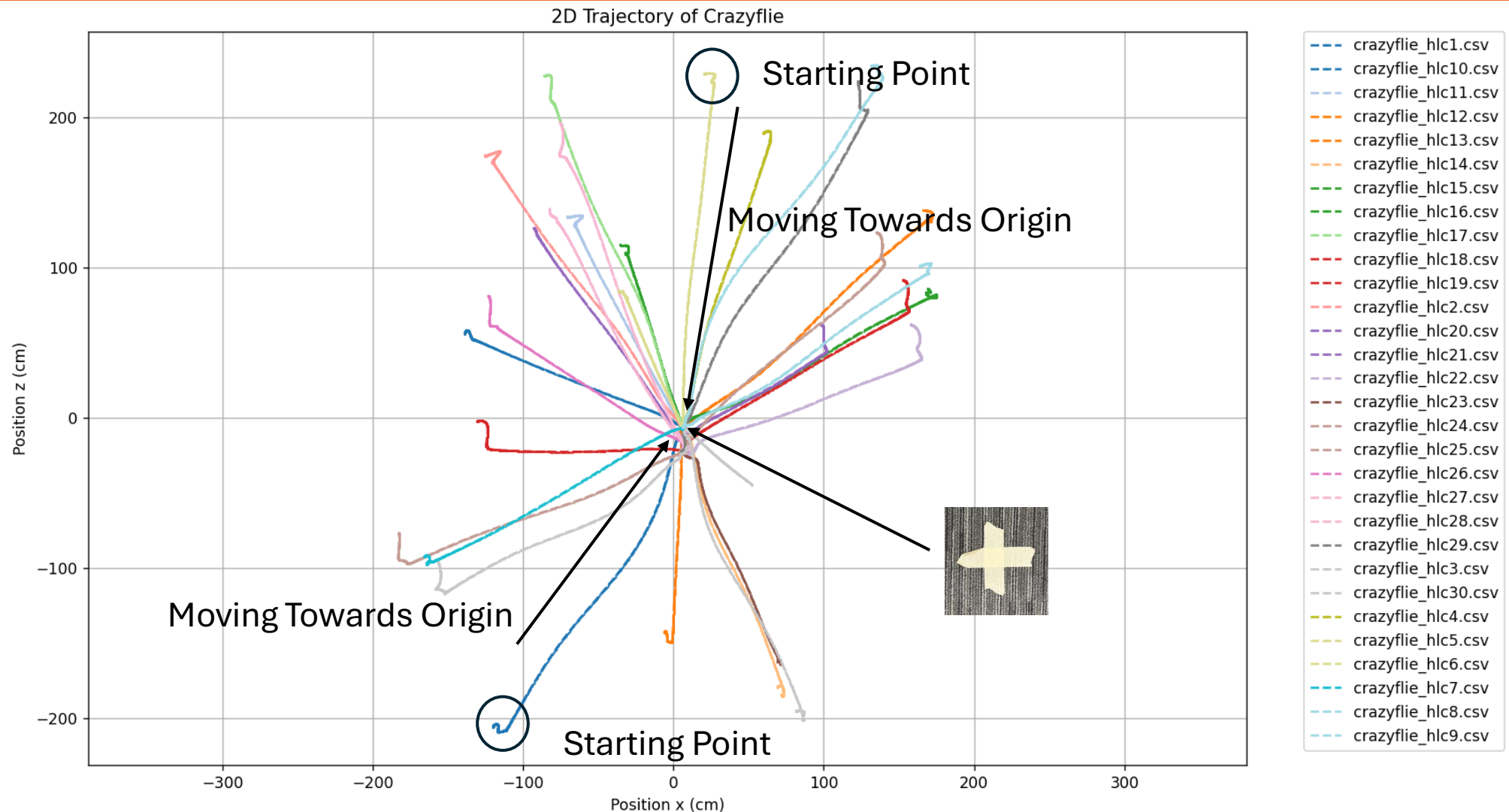
30 Runs with Optitrack Result

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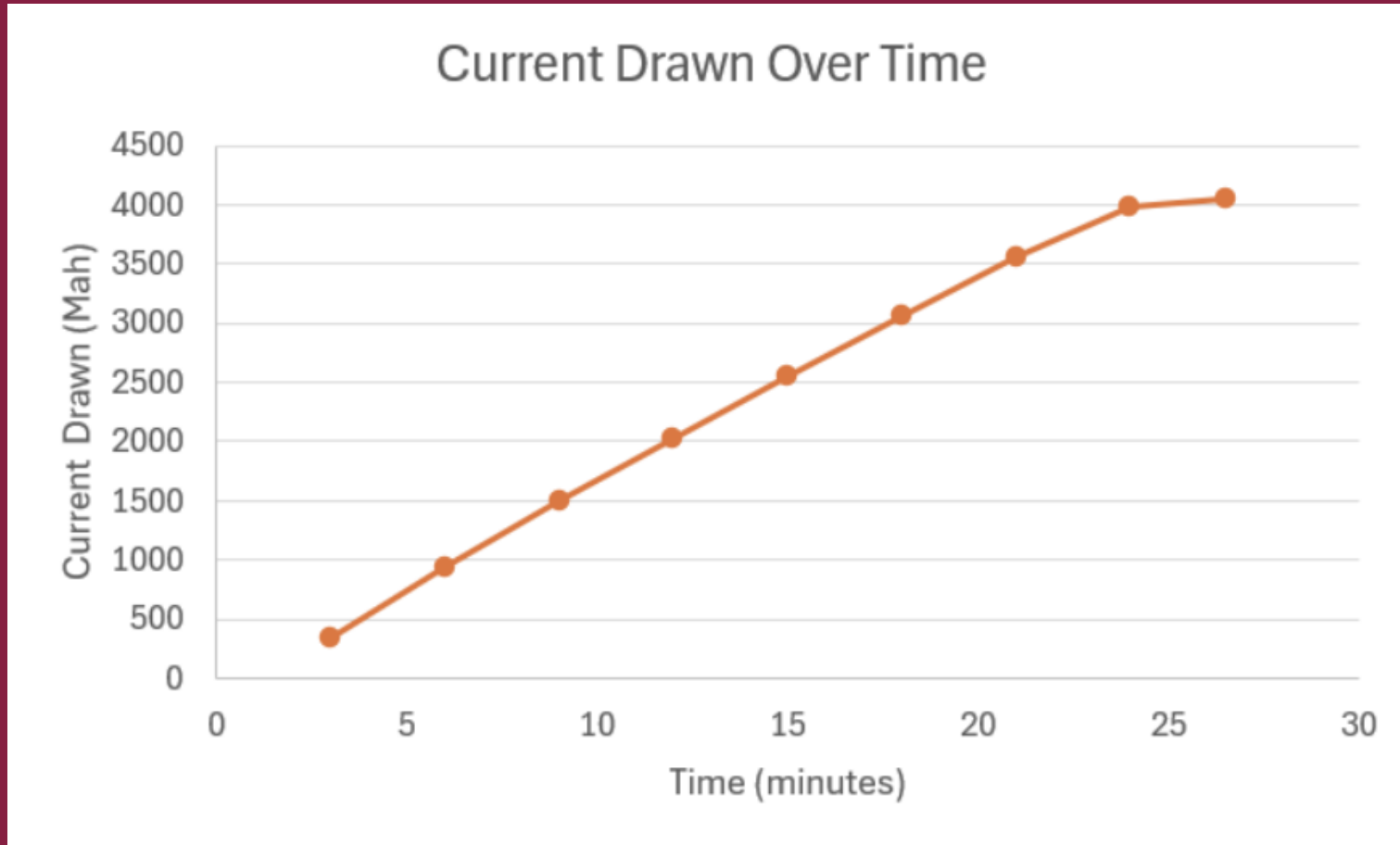
30 Runs with Optitrack Pt 2 Result

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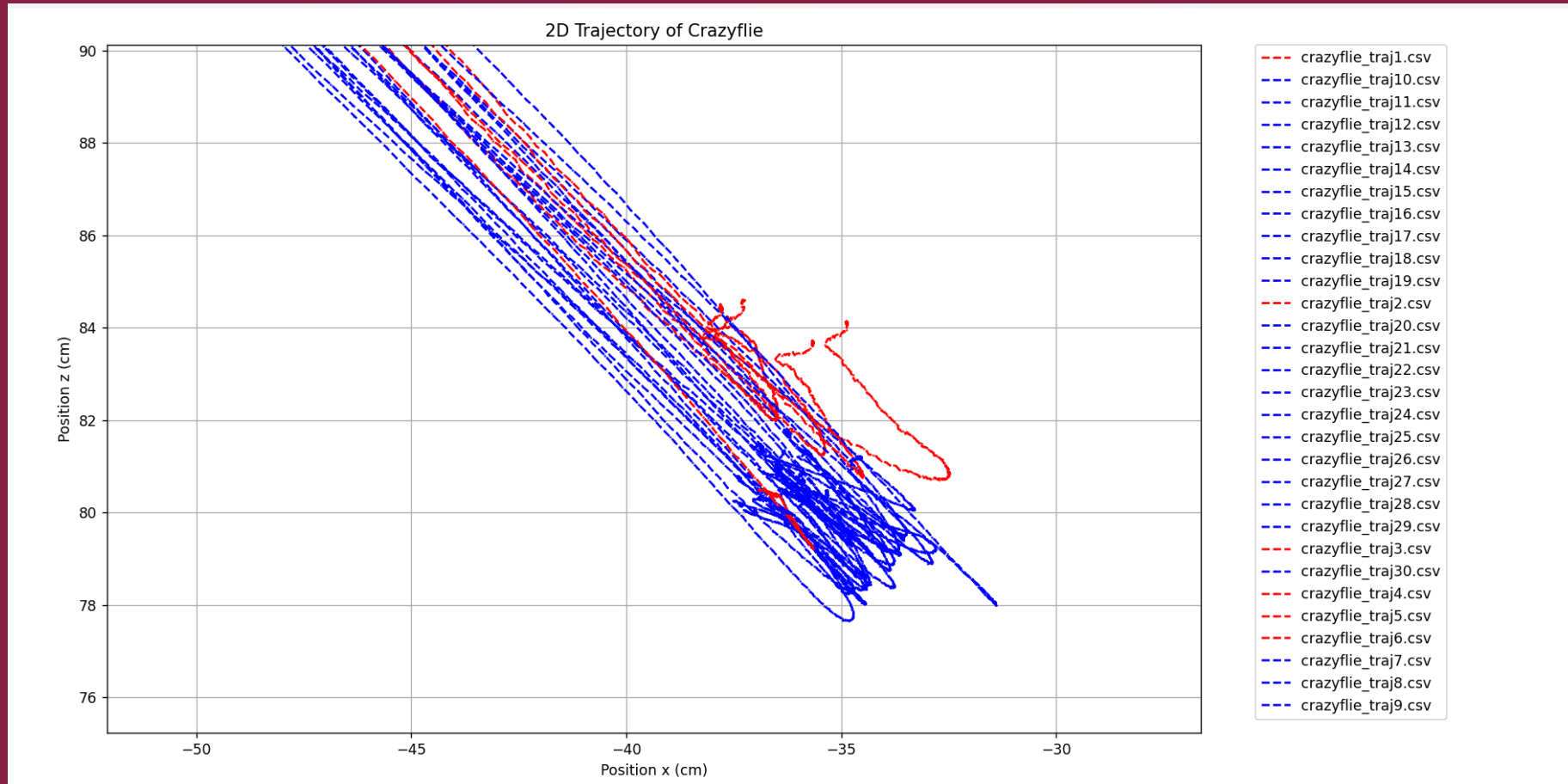


Questions?

Current Drawn Over Time (Mah)



Change in Path Due to Marker Placement



Zoomed in Segment of Arm Experiment

